

In the Claims (Clean Version)

22. A speaker verification method comprising the steps of:

- (a) generating a code book covering a plurality of speakers having a plurality of training utterances for each of the plurality of speakers, wherein a first utterance of the plurality of training utterances is not the same as a second utterance of the plurality of training utterances;
- (b) receiving a plurality of test utterances from one of the plurality of speakers, wherein a first of the plurality of test utterances is not the same as a second of the plurality of test utterances;
- (c) comparing each of the plurality of test utterances to each of the plurality of training utterances for the speaker to form a plurality of preliminary decisions, one preliminary decision of the plurality of preliminary decisions for each of the plurality of test utterances, wherein the one preliminary decision is either a true or a false decision; and
- (d) combining the plurality of preliminary decisions to form a verification decision.